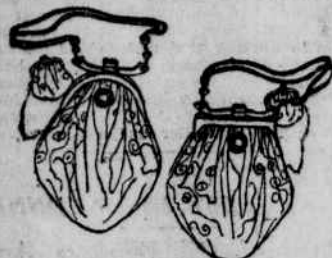




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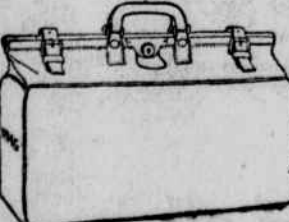


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## RAISING RELIEF FUNDS

Unemployed in British Cities  
Respond to Appeal for  
Starving in Russia.

By SIR PHILIP GIBBS.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.  
LONDON, Dec. 24.—For the first time since the world's young manhood was called to arms for the greatest war in history we may look forward with hope to the beginning of a new year and sit down to whatever feast is provided by good luck or God's grace with good reason to believe the spirit of Christmas, which is the love of humanity, is no longer utterly betrayed by people and Powers. That hope is not based on renewed prosperity, for so far as Europe goes it is for the most part more poverty stricken now than even a year ago; but there is an old proverb in one language of Europe which says that money lost is nothing lost, spirit lost is all lost; and what is hopeful now is not the recovery of money but the recovery of spirit, which for some time was very low.

The spirit of charity is beginning to show signs of life in high places by some miracle which has rapidly changed the whole face of international politics; although if I wished to be cynical (and I don't) I could suggest that the cause for this so far as self-interest, I prefer to dwell more on what seems to me the greater truth. It is the charity and common sense of millions of commonplace folk which at last is breaking down the evil policy of the old tradition and helping toward the recovery of the world. I have seen during the last few days in two provincial cities of England how the spirit of charity exists and rises above self-interest in spite of poverty and distress. It was when I spoke on behalf of the famine stricken people of Russia in Liverpool and Birmingham.

CANNOT FORGET SCENES.

Having seen the famine in Russia and brought back memories of starving peasants and their children which I shall never forget, I am sometimes bitter at the thought that the nations of the world, like the priest and the Levite, pass by the stricken, bleeding members of the human family, that peasant population of the Volga, without lifting a hand to the rescue. That is still true of the Governments, and public imaginations are still deadened by so many tales of tragedy, so many appeals for help from all parts of the world.

When I was asked to speak in those two cities it seemed to me almost hopeless to expect any response. I expected hostility and that very natural, reasonable answer, "Charity begins at home." For in Liverpool there are 80,000 unemployed men and in the great docks the ships do not get many cargoes, owing to the collapse of world trade. In Birmingham there are 200,000 unemployed, the city is hard hit by trade depression, which is the worst in all its history. There is also a deep suspicion in England everywhere that the Soviet Government, while trying out for rescue for its starving folk, is still using money for stirring up revolution in other countries, including our own, and that food sent out for Russia will feed Soviet officials and Red soldiers. The last suspicion is utterly unjustified, as I have absolute evidence for saying; but it is still widespread.

I believed, therefore, I was speaking in behalf of an unpopular cause, and it was only my remembrance of the Russian villages deep in snow, 3,000 miles away from England, where I saw families of fine, splendid peasants waiting for death, weeping over the hunger of their children, with empty cupboards and no chance of life, but foreign charity slow in coming, which gave me courage to speak. My audiences were made up of people whose business is nearly or quite at a standstill, whose futures in a tragic way are uncertain, and among many young men of the laboring classes who find it hard to get any kind of job.

Unemployed and the Starving.

But after hearing the facts told them about Russia they made astonishing response. The very unemployed of Liverpool opened a fund and subscribed out of their poverty to keep the Russian peasants whose poverty is greater than theirs. Women put their rings into the plates where others put silver. The Liverpool Corn Exchange, which I addressed for five minutes, immediately opened a subscription; the Liverpool Rotary Club decided that each member should put a box on the Christmas table for a family donation.

So it was at Birmingham. In spite of those 200,000 unemployed. Young undergraduates of the university have taken the lead in raising funds among their own fellows, while all classes are contributing according to their means, which, frankly, are very small. In Manchester, where trade conditions are serious, 130,000 were subscribed. All that, to my mind, wonderful, splendid, for the Russian tragedy has happened after the world has had a surfeit of tragedy and at a time when England herself is sorely tried and only by great wisdom and great luck has escaped a financial calamity.

But apart from these proofs of private charity, what impressed me beyond everything, what will interest American readers perhaps most of all,

is the general recognition among business men with whom I talked, and among working men themselves, that Russia can no longer be ignored and forgotten; that the world will not recover economic health until Russia, with her 150,000,000 people, her immense natural resources, her former buying power as a stimulus for manufactures, 70 per cent. of which she used to import in return for grain, timber and other produce, is brought back to health and normal intercourse.

Red Army Menace to Peace.

They also understood that so long as Russia maintains her Red army there can be no certainty of peace in Europe, that this army will be maintained until there is recognition of her present Government or some modified Government giving guarantees of good faith according to the usual code of civilized peoples. This realization of plain facts by plain folk amounts to the good will everywhere growing from the urgent demand of democratic majorities in many countries, including Great Britain, for a new policy, a plan likely to lead to more certain peace and normal trade,

which in my judgment is the best hope we have.

Those who guided the Washington Conference to a successful conclusion need have no timidity in following that first step by others equally designed to secure a period of peace and reconstruction. The whole world is waiting for an international conference on economic reconstruction, united with the problem of land disarmament, which cannot be separated from that discussion. At the present moment British statesmen, with Washington well in their minds and with its spirit as an inspiration behind them, are discussing the central problem of European recovery. It is with France that these discussions are in progress, and the main question to settle at the moment is Germany's default in reparation payments.

I have been strongly of the opinion for the last two years, and at some risk of disfavor I have not hidden the opinion, that in the long run it would be necessary to make drastic revision of the terms imposed on Germany, for our own sake more than for hers. This view is now held strongly by the majority of opinion in England, by all the financial experts, and it is a stark,

staring fact that if in spite of intensive industry the German mark continued falling in value so she is able to export goods at cutthroat rates and unable to buy from foreign countries, there can be no recovery in Europe, especially in Great Britain. Even France is beginning to understand this is plain arithmetic, though it has taken a long time and much agony of spirit to reach such a conclusion.

What France Desires.

France under Briand, who is more reasonable than many think, is willing to make a deal with England, whose business is more touched by Germany's export and import trade than her own. Briand is willing to give Germany a chance for economic recovery by a modification of the war indemnities on two conditions. The first is that England forgoes her own payments from Germany and absolves France from her debt to England and guarantees German indemnities for the French devastated area. The second is that Great Britain should give military assurances that she will stand by France again if, when Germany recovers, she makes unprovoked war. It is almost certain, but not quite,

for there will be considerable opposition from powerful quarters, that Lloyd George will accede with some modifications to the first part of Briand's proposals. Public opinion in England is almost ripe for renunciation of the best part of the claim on Germany for the sake of restoring normal trade conditions. And it is already willing to give France preferential treatment in what payments Germany can make without financial ruin. Before that renunciation is made, however, the English people must be satisfied that Germany is not what Briand has called her, a fraudulent bankrupt.

Tax Dodging in Germany.

I was in Germany a week or two ago when the mark suffered the heaviest slump, and I saw, in spite of general depression among the working classes in Berlin, that feverish gambling is in progress and immense profits are being made by successful dealers. I spoke to one German banker, who admitted that taxation is being dodged by business men of all classes. All that must be stopped; Germany must be put in financial state in order

to show a clean balance sheet. That done, there is no doubt in my mind that Lloyd George and his advisers will cancel a great proportion of German penalties so far as English interests are concerned and wipe out the French debt to ourselves. That arrangement, however, will take time, and will not radically affect the decision regarding Germany's next payment, except for possible postponement, and will need the help of Washington, that friendliness, advice, co-operation which have already been assured.

Washington still keeps the lead, and all forecasts for next year look to President Harding and Hughes, whose health should be drunk at many tables at this Christmastide for the hope they have given the world.

GAS KILLS THREE ASLEEP.

LOWELL, Mass., Dec. 24.—Jean Baptiste Moret and his two sisters, Bernadette and Clara Robillard, were asphyxiated while they slept in a lodging house in Lee street to-day. The police said the deaths apparently were accidental.

KING BIDS FAREWELL  
TO BRAND WHITLOCK

BRUSSELS, Dec. 24 (Associated Press).—King Albert called at the American Embassy this evening to bid farewell to the retiring Ambassador, Brand Whitlock, expressing the thanks of himself and the nation for the relief work which Mr. Whitlock carried on during occupation of Belgian territory by the Germans. The King remained for nearly two hours, telling his reminiscences of the war, and when he was leaving expressed sincere regret over the departure of Mr. Whitlock.

The retiring Ambassador will pass two months at Biarritz, France. He has not yet decided when he will return to the United States. It is understood by some persons that Mr. Whitlock has purchased a villa at Tervuren, near Brussels, where he will devote himself to literary work.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (Associated Press).—Highest officials in the State Department knew nothing to-night of Brand Whitlock's retirement from Brussels, but assumed he had applied through channels for leave of possibly sixty days in the expectation that his post would be filled by a successor before the expiration of his leave.



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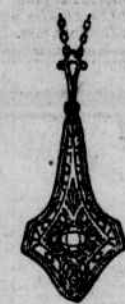
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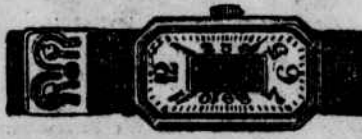


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